

PA/TENT
Attorney Docket No. THER-002-B

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Filed: October 1, 1990 ) Examiner:

For: ANTIBODY PURIFICATION PROCESS (As Amended)

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

sir:

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination of the above referenced application, please amend the application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 17-19.

Please amend claims 20-26 as follows:

20. (Amended) An F(ab) fragment extracted from an antibody containing source according to [the process of claim 1] a process comprising the steps of:

contacting the antibody containing source with a papainpolyacrylamide matrix to obtain a solution containing F(ab) and
F(c) fragments; and

passing the solution containing the F(ab) and F(c)

fragments through an affinity chromatography system having a gel

 $\mathcal{O}^{\ell}$ 

LAW OFFICES
FINNEGAN, HENDERSON
FARABOW, GARRETT
& DUNNER
1300 I STREET, N. W.
WASHINGTON, DC 20005
202-408-4000